RE: NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF REGISTRAR’S ABILITY TO CREATE NEW REGISTERED NAMES OR INITIATE INBOUND TRANSFERS OF REGISTERED NAMES

Dear Mr. Matuzich,

This notice is sent to Homestead Limited dba Namevault.com (“Namevault”) further to its Registrar Accreditation Agreement (“RAA”) with the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (“ICANN”) dated 8 August 2013 (“RAA”).

Pursuant to Section 5.5.6 of the RAA, Namevault has been in fundamental and material breach of its obligations under the RAA at least three (3) times within a twelve (12) month period. ICANN issued notice of breach against Namevault on 9 April 2014, 1 October 2014 and 3 April 2015. Namevault’s ability to create new Registered Names or initiate inbound transfers of Registered Names is suspended for 90 days pursuant to Section 5.7 of the RAA.

The suspension is effective 21 April 2015 at 00:00 UTC and will conclude on 20 July 2015 at 00:00 UTC, or longer if Namevault has not demonstrated compliance on or before 29 June 2015. Consistent with Section 5.7 of the RAA, during the suspension period, Namevault must not:

1. Create new Registered Names for any Top Level Domain (“TLD”); or

2. Initiate or accept inbound transfers of Registered Names for any TLD.
To demonstrate compliance, Namevault must timely cure all the breaches identified in the notice of breach dated 3 April 2015 and provide the following to ICANN:

1. Provide ICANN with corrective and preventative action(s), including implementation dates and milestones, to ensure that Namevault will timely respond to ICANN and RNH inquiries with accurate information;

2. Provide ICANN with corrective and preventative action(s), including implementation dates and milestones, to ensure that Namevault will timely pay all accreditation fees; and

3. Demonstrate successful implementation of the corrective and preventative actions provided in the items above during the suspension period.

Failure to demonstrate compliance by 29 June 2015 may result in RAA termination and an extension to Namevault’s suspension pending final termination.

**Notice on Namevault’s Website**

During the suspension period, Namevault must prominently display the following on its website on all pages where Registrar Services, as defined by the RAA, are offered:

**No new registrations or inbound transfers will be accepted from 21 April 2015 through 20 July 2015.**

Please be advised that Namevault may be subject to escalated compliance action (including RAA termination) if ICANN receives additional information, either through complaints or its own monitoring, demonstrating that Namevault continues to violate the RAA or Consensus Policies, including failure to timely pay accreditation fees, after the suspension period ends.

If you have questions or require assistance, please contact Owen Smigelski at owen.smigelski@icann.org.

Sincerely,
Maguy Serad  
Vice President  
Contractual Compliance  

Cc: John O. Jeffrey, General Counsel and Secretary